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Ref. No. 030116 (formerly 6295.N)

REMARKS

Applicants would like to thank the Examiner for indicating that claims 1-14, 16, 17, 22-25, 30-36, 38-45 and 47-67 are allowed. After entry of the present amendment, claims 1-14, 16, 17, 22-25, 30-36 and 38-67 will be pending in the present application. Claim 46 has been amended to delete the semi-colon preceding the period. Accordingly, the scope of claim 46 has not changed and it is entitled to the same scope of protection. The amendments to claims are fully supported by the application as filed. Accordingly, applicants respectfully request entry of this amendment into the application.

In view of the amendments and following remarks, applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections and objections set forth in the Office Action.

Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. § 112, Second Paragraph

Applicants thank the Examiner for withdrawing the indefiniteness rejections state in the previous Office Action. In the present Office Action, claim 46 was "rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite[.]" Specifically, claim 46 was rejected because "it is not known what is meant by the period which follows a semi-colon. It is not known what else is intended." Applicants have deleted the semi-colon in claim 46 preceding the period, obviating this ground for rejection. In light of the amendments and remarks, applicants respectfully request the Examiner withdraw this rejection.

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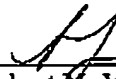
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CONCLUSION

In view of the above remarks and amendments, applicants respectfully submit that this application is in condition for allowance and earnestly solicit notice to that effect. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number provided below if the Examiner believes such would be helpful in advancing the application to issue.

Respectfully submitted,

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